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LETTER DATED 27 MARCH 1995 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF THE LIBYAN ARAB JAMAHIRIYA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

I have the honour to transmit to you herewith the resolution entitled "Coercive measures and threats by the United States of America, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and France against the Great Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya", adopted by the Council of the League of Arab States at its one hundred and third session, held in Cairo on 24 March 1995.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter and its annex circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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Annex

Coercive measures and threats by the United States of America, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and France against the Great Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya

The Council of the League,

Recalling its resolutions 5156 of 5 December 1991, 5158 of 16 January 1992, 5161 of 22 March 1992, 5224 of 13 September 1992, 5281 of 19 April 1992, 5328 of 21 September 1993, 5373 of 27 March 1994 and 5431 of 15 September 1994 concerning coercive measures and threats by the United States of America, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and France against the Great Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya,

Referring to the resolution of the Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity adopted at its fifty-first ordinary session, held at Addis Ababa from 22 to 27 January 1995 and the resolution adopted by the Seventh Islamic Summit Conference, held at Casablanca from 13 to 15 December 1994, concerning the crisis,

Recalling the provisions of Articles 33 and 52 of the Charter of the United Nations concerning the peaceful settlement of disputes by mediation and judicial settlement so that international peace and security are not endangered,

Expressing its deep concern at the human and material losses sustained by the Libyan people and neighbouring peoples as a result of the coercive measures imposed on Libya by Security Council resolutions 748 (1992) and 883 (1993),

Expressing its regret that the three Western States are persisting in their stand for the continuation of the sanctions, in spite of the peace initiative put forward by the Council of the League of Arab States, Libya's positive response to this initiative and its full compliance with the requirements of Security Council resolution 731 (1991),

Expressing its appreciation for the efforts of the Committee of Seven and the Secretary-General towards a peaceful solution to the crisis,

Having reviewed other developments relating to the issue,

Decides

1. To reaffirm its previous resolutions concerning solidarity with the Great Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya and to support its efforts to arrive at a peaceful solution of the crisis within a framework of respect for Libyan national sovereignty and the principles of international law;

2. To adhere to the new practical proposal contained in resolution 5373, adopted on 27 March 1994, that the two suspects should be judged equitably by

the Scottish judges in conformity with Scottish law at the seat of the International Court of Justice at The Hague;

3. To call on the Security Council, with a view to discovering the truth, to conduct a new and impartial inquiry in order to arrive at the truth about the crash of the United States Pan Am aircraft over Lockerbie, in view of the shortcomings of past inquiries and the doubts surrounding them in the light of recently published information and documents;

4. To urge the Security Council to lift the sanctions which it imposed by its resolution 748 (1992) and 883 (1993) pending the results of the inquiry;

5. To invite the Secretary-General of the League to coordinate with the Secretary-General of the Organization of African Unity in the light of the resolution adopted at the sixty-first session of the Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, which provides for the establishment of a ministerial committee of the Council to liaise with the parties to the dispute in order to coordinate efforts and initiatives and to open channels for dialogue with a view to finding a peaceful and just solution to the dispute;

6. To invite the Arab Committee of Seven responsible for following up the crisis to intensify its efforts and contact the parties concerned with a view to urging the Security Council to reconsider the proposals contained in the resolution of the League Council and accept them as a basis for the solution of the crisis;

7. To entrust the Secretary-General with the task of following up the implementation of this resolution.